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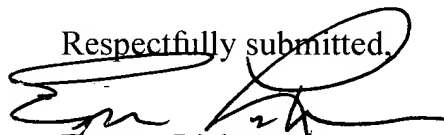
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It is requested that the following documents, cited in the office action of the corresponding Japanese patent application 2000-119438, be notified to the USPTO:

- (1) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application, No. 3-228262, a copy and an English abstract of which are enclosed herewith;
- (2) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application, No. 4-362569, a copy and an English abstract of which are enclosed herewith;
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